# **Competition Task Examples**

\* The competition tasks listed here are for service-robotics track.

\* The items described here may not be the items in the competition due to availability.

\* The contestants should provide the workspace before the competition.

\* No hardware or software changes are allowed once the competition has started.

\* Robots are allowed to automatically use predefined tools.

# 1. Use a spoon to pick up peas

## Items:

- 1. 20 green peas similar to the peas in the link <u>https://www.amazon.com/Food-Live-Green-Vatana-</u> <u>Pounds/dp/B00L0MAM8W/ref=sr\_1\_1\_s\_it?s=grocery&ie=UTF8&qid=146</u> <u>8454021&sr=1-1&keywords=peas</u>
- 2. Spoon https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B0009PUR86/ref=oh\_aui\_search\_de tailpage?ie=UTF8&psc=1
- 3. Plates

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### Competition setup:

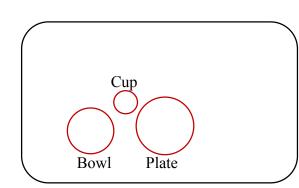




Figure 1: A half-full bowl with peas and an empty plate are randomly on the table.

- 1. A 6-inch bowl has green peas.
- 2. A spoon is placed in a cup with the spoon's handle out. The location of the cup is random.

- 1. Grasp the spoon from the cup
- 2. Pickup peas from the bowl
- 3. Transfer the peas to the plate
- 4. If needed, the robot can repeat multiple times.
- 5. Successfully transferring each pea is worth 2 pts until reach to 10 pts.

- 6. The competition is terminated if the robot knocks over any object.
- 7. Dropping peas outside of the plate is allowed.

#### 2. Transfer a cup on its saucer

#### Items:

A set of plastic cup and saucer https://www.amazon.com/Aspire-Plastic-Espresso-Break-resistant-Cappuccino/dp/B01N4U5XHQ/



#### Setup:

One target location on the table is defined and marked in the robot's workspace A cup and a saucer are paced randomly in the robot's workspace. Their locations are unknown.

#### Rules:

- The robot should first grasp and place the cup on the saucer (10 pts)

- The robot grasps the saucer with the cup on it, lifts, transfers and places them on the defined target location. (10 pts)

- Dropping the cup will terminate the task.

# 3. Use a spoon to stir water in a cup

#### Items:

Spoon and cups are the the same as used in Task 1.

#### Setup:

The cup is placed on the table randomly. A spoon is placed in a cup with the spoon's handle out.

- 1. The robot picks up the spoon in the empty cup
- 2. Submerge the bowl of the spoon in the other cup half-full of water
- 3. Stir water using the bowl of the spoon for two cycles. Completing each cycle gains 5 pts.
- 4. The competition is terminated if the cup is tipped over.
- 5. 3 pts will be reduced if any water is spilled

# 4. Shake out salt from a salt shaker to a defined location Items:

- 1. Salt shaker: <u>https://www.amazon.com/Farberware-Classic-Pepper-Shaker-2-Ounce/dp/B005NKJVGQ/ref=sr\_1\_10?s=home-garden&ie=UTF8&qid=1468517851&sr=1-10&keywords=salt+shaker</u>
- 2. Salt: <u>https://www.amazon.com/Morton-Iodized-Salt-26-</u> oz/dp/B000Q3CJGO/ref=sr\_1\_4\_a\_f\_it?ie=UTF8&qid=1468517913&sr=8-4&ppw=fresh&keywords=salt
- 3. Measuring cup <u>https://www.amazon.com/OXO-Grips-Angled-Measuring-</u> <u>Clear/dp/B00FYL4MPY/ref=sr\_1\_3?s=kitchen&ie=UTF8&qid=1468642150</u>
- 4. Plate as in task 1.

# Setup:

- 1. Salt shaker is prepared with <u>1 cup</u> of salt and the salt shaker is mostly full.
- 2. Salt shaker is placed up-right on table surface
- 3. The contestant can decide the location of the plate

# Competition:

- 1. Perform grasp of salt shaker
- 2. Shake salt shaker above the plate with the salt shaker being completely intact during the task
- 3. Dispensing 1/16 of cup of salt on the plate earn full points
- 4. The salt on the plate will be poured into the measuring cup to measure
- 5. Salt is allowed to be dispensed outside of the plate.
- 6. The salt shaker must remain intact during the entire test (teams are not allowed to take it apart)
- 7. Dropping shaker is allowed. However, if the robot cannot pick it back up, the competition is terminated.

# 5. Grasp a plug and insert it into a socket

Items:

- 1. Power Strip (w/ 2-AC outlets and 4 USB charging ports) <u>https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B0160VD668/ref=ox\_sc\_act\_title\_1?</u> <u>ie=UTF8&psc=1&smid=A2VRWFTK106VG0</u>
- Industrial VELCRO adhesive backed <u>https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B00006RSP1/ref=ox\_sc\_act\_title\_3?</u> <u>ie=UTF8&psc=1&smid=ATVPDKIKX0DER</u>
- 3. One AC night light <u>https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B00PU2TN0Q/ref=ox\_sc\_act\_title\_1</u> <u>?ie=UTF8&psc=1&smid=AS8F55Q7LYHA9</u>
- 4. One USB night light <u>https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B0191S9I4K/ref=ox\_sc\_act\_title\_2?i</u> <u>e=UTF8&psc=1&smid=A1KKVWVMYDW8DT</u>

Setup:

- 1. Mount the power strip to a surface using the VELCRO tape and plug into an AC power source.
- 2. Plug one AC night light into one outlet of the power strip.
- 3. Manually plug one USB light into one USB port of the power strip.
- 4. The location of the power strip is random.

#### Competition:

- 1. Extract the both lights completely from the outlet. (If plug cannot be removed, consider loosening them in order to proceed to the next step)
- 2. Grasp and plug one light at a time into the sockets to minimum depth for electrical contact.
- 3. Scoring is based on the following for each plug:
  - a. Light removal 5 points per light
  - b. Light insertion (light on) 5 points per light

### 6. Peg in hole insertion

#### Items:

#### One wood sorting board

https://www.amazon.com/VolksRose-Creative-Wooden-Geometric-Sorting/dp/B01AUPF5A4/ref=pd\_day0\_21\_3?\_encoding=UTF8&pd\_rd\_i=B01AU PF5A4&pd\_rd\_r=JXF7A4RTQDF08J468AXS&pd\_rd\_w=1zNq4&pd\_rd\_wg=ZbtT 8&psc=1&refRID=JXF7A4RTQDF08J468AXSWe



#### Setup:

The main board is attached with Velcro to the table.

Six puzzle pieces are placed besides the board randomly.

- Locate one of the wood puzzles
- Recognize where should it go within the wood board (depending on the number of holes)
- Put the puzzle on the board.
- Repeat until all puzzles are used.
- Five points for putting one puzzle piece on the board

# 7. Transfer straw into a to-go cup with lid

## Items:

1. Straws

https://www.amazon.com/Smoothie-Straws-Extra-Assorted-Colors/dp/B00IR3JL5C/ref=pd\_sim\_sbs\_79\_3?ie=UTF8&dpID=510YB6zb JhL&dpSrc=sims&preST=\_AC\_UL160\_SR160%2C160\_&psc=1&refRID= A8DKCNHNPT9KB99X8F5A

- 2. Cup with lid https://www.amazon.com/World-Deals-Plastic-Clear-Flat/dp/B010JQLKSA/ref=pd\_sim\_79\_5?ie=UTF8&dpID=41DcNm7aw GL&dpSrc=sims&preST=\_AC\_UL320\_SR238%2C320\_&psc=1&refRID =WBMB9GZTH6XYRV2FJKRG
- 3. A cup in task 1.

#### Setup:

- 1. The straws are packed fairly tightly in one upright cup.
- 2. Another cup has a lid on it, placed upright and 30 cm to the side of the cup holding straws.
- 3. The cup with lid is full of water

#### **Competition:**

- 1. The robot picks up one straw from the cup
- 2. Place it into the straw hole while keeping the cup upright to earn full points
- 3. The location of the cup can be defined by the contestant.
- 4. The competition is terminated when the cup with lid is tipped over.
- 5. Dropping straw is allowed.

#### 8. Pour water into a cup (Level 3, 30 pts)

Items:

One YCB pitcher or other pitcher https://www.amazon.com/Rubbermaid-Pitcher-2-25-quart-FG3062PRPERI/dp/B0014CTFPY/

One cup (without the saucer)

https://www.amazon.com/Aspire-Plastic-Espresso-Break-resistant-Cappuccino/dp/B01N4U5XHQ/



#### Setup:

The pitcher is placed at a defined location

Uncertain amount of water is in the pitcher. But it is more than enough to fill three cups.

Three cups are placed at random locations

#### Rules:

- The robot grasps and picks up the pitcher and then pours water into the cup to 90% full (the target water line is marked in the cup, along with 80% full line)

- Pouring is considered successful if the final water line is between the 80% line and completely full

- Over spill is a failure
- Under 80% is a failure
- Ten points for each successful pouring
- The water level in the pitcher is not observable

# 9. Fully extend syringe and the fully press syringe Item:

A 30cc syringe <u>https://www.amazon.com/Syringe-30cc-Luer-Lock-</u> Sterile/dp/B000FN65ZG/ref=sr\_1\_7?ie=UTF8&qid=1468380638&sr=8-7&keywords=luer+syringe

#### Setup:

The syringe lies flat on a table with its plunger fully compressed.

#### **Competition:**

- 1. The task is to fully extend the syringe to at least 30ccs (without removing the plunger) and then return it to the fully compressed state.
- 2. Five pts for partial pass if the syringe is fully extended but not fully compressed.

# **10.** Use scissors to cut a piece of paper to half along a line Items:

1. YCB Tool items: scissors.



Figure 4: Scissors.

2. 20 pieces of A4 paper.

#### Setup:

- 1. Scissors are placed at the table randomly
- 2. Shape lines are pre-printed on the paper
- 3. The contestants can hold a piece of paper without moving it.

- 1. The robot picks up the scissors
- 2. One team member picks up a piece of paper and holds it in the air without moving the paper during the whole process
- 3. The robot uses the scissors to cut the paper along the shape lines
- 4. Four patterns are required to complete the task and five pieces of papers are provided for each pattern (for five tries).
- 5. 10 pts for completing each pattern.

